



[ALT Fuels Colorado]

## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ), Round II

**Q:** Are upgrades of existing stations eligible under the Alternative Fuel Vehicle (AFV) Fueling Station Grant Program Round#2?

**A:** No.

**Q:** Is only equipment that is over \$100,000.00 subject to Buy America? Are there waivers for equipment manufactured in NAFTA countries?

**A:** All equipment over \$2,500 is subject to Buy America.

Buy America requirements are unaffected by any current foreign trade agreement including NAFTA. As a result, there are no waivers.

**Q:** Do we need a unique DUNS number for our specific location we are applying for the Grant for? Each station we operate is its own unique LLC with unique ownership structure. Or do we apply with our current DUNS number for our corporate entity?

**A:** Yes. A DUNS number is required for all entities / LLCs proposing to receive federal funding through the ALT Fuels Colorado grant program.

**Q:** Will we be able to apply for propane stations at existing CNG station locations?

**A:** Grant funding is available for both propane fueling facilities and electric vehicle fast chargers that are co-located at CNG station locations funded under the ALT Fuels Colorado program.

**Q:** Does Buy America Act apply to only the equipment financed by the Grant? Our total equipment expenditure will exceed \$500,000, and the equipment we will procure that is certified Buy America will also exceed \$500,000.

**A:** Any use of CMAQ / ALT Fuels Colorado funding requires that the Buy America Act apply to the entire project. All station materials, even those not purchased with CMAQ funds, need to be Buy America compliant.

**Q:** When will Grant award decisions be released for this round?

**A:** March, 2015

**Q:** Will the Colorado Energy Office allow an applicant that is not a “public entity” to satisfy the Commercial General Liability requirements in the Model Contract using a program of self-insurance, if the applicant is self-insured for the required limit and is therefore unable to provide a certificate of insurance for that coverage or the required endorsements?

**A:** The State will allow self-insurance for non-public entities having a formalized self-insurance program and assets of at least \$100 million.

**Q:** Verify the statute, clause, act, etc that the state of Colorado is asking to have our vendors verify that they (GE) are compliant with? There is much confusion between Buy America and Buy American.

**A:** The entirety of the Buy America Act applies to any itemized purchase of station equipment, using grant funding through ALT Fuels Colorado, that is predominantly comprised of steel or iron. The FHWA deems a product to be manufactured predominantly of steel or iron if the product consists of at least 90% steel or iron content, by percent of material, when it is delivered to the job site for installation. The job site includes the sites where any precast concrete products are made. See the “Buy America Regulations and Guidance” and “FHWA Buy America Memo on Manufactured Goods” within the RFA supplemental materials on the CEO website for further information.

Buy American does not apply to grant recipients through the Alt Fuels Colorado program.

**Q:** Do L/CNG stations qualify for grant funding under ALT Fuels Colorado?

**A:** CNG station equipment as part of a proposed L/CNG station does qualify for grant funding under ALT Fuels Colorado and is subject to all program guidelines.